Mt. Shasta City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

Mt. Shasta Community Center, 629 Alder Street Monday, **January 26, 2015** - 5:30 p.m. Approved as submitted February 9, 2015

"Our mission is to maintain the character of our "small town" community while striking an appropriate balance between economic development and preservation of our quality of life. We help create a dynamic and vital City by providing quality, cost-effective municipal services and by forming partnerships with residents and organizations in the constant pursuit of excellence."

Page	Item	STANDING AGENDA ITEMS
	1.	Call to Order and Flag Salute
		At the hour of 5:35 p.m., Mayor Geoffrey Harkness called the meeting to order and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
	2.	Roll Call
		Councilmembers Present: Mayor Pro Tem Jeffrey Collings, Burns, Stearns, Mayor Harkness Councilmembers Absent: None
	3.	Special Presentations and Announcements: Water Conservation - Meadow Fitton
		Meadow Fitton, Water Education Consultant, gave a brief presentation on the preparations being made with the City of Mt. Shasta to advise its citizens about water conservation in drought conditions. An informational brochure will be mailed to City utility customers in the third week of February, 2015. Three "water talks," which will include an informational video, have been scheduled in the City of Mt. Shasta for March 10, May 21, and October 21, 2015.
	4.	City Council Interviews of Board/Commission /Commissioner Candidates:
		a. Melanie Findling – Planning Commission
		b. Lorie Saunders – Beautification Committee
		c. Alexis Meadows – Beautification Committee
		d. Leslie Holland – Beautification Committee
		e. Terez Maniatis – Beautification Committee
		MOTION to fill the four (4) vacancies on the Planning Commission with Melanie Findling, Alan Pardee, Emily Derby, and Casey Clure.
		Motion by: Councilmember Stearns Second by: Councilmember Burns 4 Ayes – (Burns, Mayor Pro Tem Collings, Stearns, Mayor Harkness)

MOTION to fill existing two (2) vacancies on the Beautification Committee with Terez Maniatis and Leslie Holland.
Motion by: Councilmember Stearns Second by: No second on motion.
Council Action: This item was postponed for a future regular meeting of the City Council.
5. Public Comment:
Members of the audience voiced their comments and concerns regarding: geo engineering; the Interceptor Line Project, an Environmental Impact Report (EIR); logging at Lake Siskiyou campground; the impact on the health and welfare of the community with installation of smart water meters; and Caltrans SR 89/South Mt. Shasta Boulevard Intersection Project.
6. Meeting Recess: A brief recess was taken at 7:45 p.m.
CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS
 Consent Agenda - The City Manager recommends approval of the following Consent Agenda items. All Resolutions and Ordinances on this agenda, or added hereto, shall be introduced or adopted, as applicable, by title only, and the full reading thereof is hereby waived.
a. Approval of Minutes: December 16, 2014 Special City Council Meeting
b. Approval of Minutes: January 12, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting
c. Acceptance of Brown Act Committee Minutes:
ATC Regular Meeting Minutes of November 21, 2014 ATC Regular Meeting Minutes of December 19, 2014 Beautification Committee Regular Meeting Minutes of October 8, 2014 Beautification Committee Special Meeting Minutes of October 8, 2014
 d. Approval of Disbursements: Accounts Payable: 1/9/15; 1/9/15; and1/12/15; Total Gross Payroll and Taxes: For Period Ending 1/7/15 (Finance Director)
e. City Council Committee Assignments: i. LTC – Michael Burns Sr. ii. ATC – Michael Burns Sr. iii. Beautification Committee – Jeffrey Collings iv. CEDAC – Tim Stearns & Geoff Harkness v. LTAC – Geoff Harkness vi. DEAC – Michael Burns Sr. vii. Crystal Geyser Communications Ad Hoc Committee – Jeffrey Collings viii. Water Main and Water Meters Ad Hoc Committee – Jeffrey Collings

- ix. Waste Water Treatment Plant Construction (WWTP) Ad Hoc Committee Michael Burns Sr. & Jeffrey Collings
- x. SAGE Tim Stearns
- xi. Solid Waste JPA City Manager

MOTION to approve consent agenda item 7(a) Approval of Minutes: December 16, 2014 Special City Council Meeting; 7(b) Approval of Minutes: January 12, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting: 7(c) Acceptance of Brown Act Committee Minutes: ATC Regular Meeting Minutes of November 21, 2014; ATC Regular Meeting Minutes of December 19, 2014; Beautification Committee Regular Meeting Minutes of October 8, 2014; Beautification Committee Special Meeting Minutes of October 8, 2014; and 7(d) Approval of Disbursements: Accounts Payable: 1/9/15; 1/9/15; and1/12/15; Total Gross Payroll and Taxes: For Period Ending 1/7/15 (Finance Director); and 7(e) City Council Committee Assignments: i. LTC - Michael Burns Sr.; ii. ATC - Michael Burns Sr.; iii. Beautification Committee - Jeffrey Collings; iv. CEDAC - Tim Stearns and Geoff Harkness; v. LTAC – Geoff Harkness; vi. DEAC – Michael Burns Sr.; vii. Crystal Geyser Communications Ad Hoc Committee - Jeffrey Collings; viii. Water Main and Water Meters Ad Hoc Committee – Jeffrey Collings; ix. Waste Water Treatment Plant Construction (WWTP) Ad Hoc Committee - Michael Burns Sr. and Jeffrey Collings; x. SAGE - Tim Stearns; and xi. Solid Waste JPA - City Manager

Motion by: Councilmember Stearns, with one exception. Item 7(e) City Council Committee Assignments, Item i., LTC – Michael Burns, Sr. This committee position is assigned by the Mayor's Committee of the League of Local Agencies (LOLA). Councilmember Stearns reported that Michael Burns, Sr. was appointed to fill one of two vacancies on the LTC by that Committee in their meeting the previous week.

MOTION to accept consent agenda items, with the exception of item 7(e)i:

Motion by: Councilmember Stearns Second by: Councilmember Burns

4 Ayes – (Burns, Mayor Pro Tem Collings, Stearns, Mayor Harkness)

8. Prop 84 Water Meters and Pipeline Projects funded through the Regional Water Management Group (RWMG)- Project Process and Update

<u>Background:</u> Staff will provide an update on the progress on the proposed projects and summarize next steps.

Report By: Rod Bryan, Public Works Director

Council Action: Provide direction to staff in selection of a water meter.

Mayor Pro Tem Collings gave a presentation on his extensive research regarding various types of water meters, their safety and efficiency, benefits, costs, and role in water conservation, now and for the long-term.

	In order to minimize health impacts on the City of Mt. Shasta's utility customers, labor and maintenance costs to the City, in addition to providing ongoing data to promote water conservation, City Council unanimously directed the Public Works Department to move forward with the installation of the <i>Census I Pearl</i> "drive-by" Automatic Meter Reading (AMR) system, which is not a smart meter.
9	. Selection of a project alternative for the Caltrans SR 89/South Mt. Shasta Boulevard Intersection Improvement Project Concepts.
	<u>Background:</u> Caltrans will present alternatives and seek Council input on alternatives for improving the Highway 89/South Mt. Shasta Boulevard intersection.
	Report By: Rod Bryan, Public Works Director and Caltrans Representatives
	Council Action: City Council direction regarding preferred alignment on Highway 89.
	No direction was given or action taken by City Council on this project at this meeting.
1	0. City response to U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA).
	<u>Background:</u> City Staff will provide and update regarding the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) Grant Award changes. The City Council will be asked to consider and decide among two alternatives, returning the funds or directing the funds to the Mt. Shasta State Mandated Waste Water Treatment Plant Project.
	Report By: Paul Eckert, City Manager
	<u>Council Action:</u> City Council to provide direction regarding U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) alternatives stated above.
	MOTION to redirect grant award funds from the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) to the State Mandated Waste Water Treatment Plant Project for the City of Mt. Shasta.
	Motion by: Mayor Pro Tem Collings Second by: Councilmember Stearns 4 Ayes – (Burns, Mayor Pro Tem Collings, Stearns, Mayor Harkness)
1	Efforts to obtain funding from various sources necessary to complete repairs to the City's Interceptor Line.
	<u>Background:</u> The Interceptor Line Repair has been a top priority in the City's Sewer Master Plan for several decades. Completing the project remains a top priority of the City Council. The loss of the EDA funding requires that alternative funding sources be identified.
	Report By: Paul Eckert, City Manager
	<u>Council Action:</u> Provide direction to staff regarding exploring and obtaining funding sources for repairs to the City's Interceptor Line.

City Council tasked City Manager Eckert with exploring and obtaining alternative funding for the City of Mt. Shasta's Interceptor Line, and to keep Council apprised of those ongoing efforts.
CITY COUNCIL/STAFF REPORTING PERIOD
12. Council Reports on Attendance at Appointed/Outside Meetings
Councilmember Stearns reported that he has been elected as Chair of the League of Local Agencies (LOLA).
13. Council and Staff Comments
City Manager Eckert reported that the Public Works Department is doing an exceptional job on improving the City's infrastructure. The City's mechanic must also be commended for his expertise and efforts in saving the City substantial costs associated with vehicle maintenance.
Public Works Director Rod Bryan addressed the ongoing improvements to City water lines and pressure regulators. Future coliform samples will be taken from the City's water mains instead of residential or commercial samplings, as in the past.
14. Future Agenda Items (Appearing on the agenda within 60-90 days):
 a. Review of Ordinance #275 with the intent to add language allowing the inclusion of downtown property owners to be eligible to sit on the DEAC – 2/2015 (Waiting for legal review)
b. LED Light System Update – 2/2015
c. Overview of election process for Councilmembers – 2/2015
d. ATC jurisdiction review – 2/2015
e. Water conservation communication efforts – 3/2015
f. Commercial Recycling Oversight Requirements – 3/2015
g. Updates from Council appointed committees – 4/2015
15. Adjourn
There being no further business before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned by Mayor Harkness at the hour of 11:15 p.m.